FISCAL NOTE

SB 645 - HB 842

March 6, 2007

SUMMARY OF BILL: Establishes requirements for the Board for Licensing Health Care Facilities, in conjunction with the Emergency Medical Service Board, to ensure that facilities provide optimal emergency medical and surgical services for pediatric patients.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

Increase State Expenditures - \$15,300

Assumptions:

- The Board for Licensing Health Care Facilities and the Emergency Medical Service Board will not incur a significant increase in expenditures to collaborate on the revision of the pediatric trauma care and pediatric emergency care facilities and ambulance and emergency responder regulations.
- The members of the Committee on Pediatric Emergency Care (COPEC) are authorized to be reimbursed for travel expenses while attending meetings in accordance with state travel regulations. It is estimated that travel reimbursement will increase state expenditures by \$15,300 for four quarterly meetings.
- Such estimate is based on 10 of the 15 members traveling from West or East Tennessee (350 miles X \$.46 per mile X 10 members = \$1,610). Five members will be from Middle Tennessee (50 miles X \$.46 per mile X 5 members = \$115). Lodging (\$129 X 10 members = \$1,290) and meals (\$40.50 per day X 2 days X 10 members = \$810) will total \$2,100. The total travel expenditures for one meeting are \$3,825.
- The administrative support will be absorbed within existing resources.

CERTIFICATION:

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

James W. White, Executive Director